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**SMALL ENTITY ASSERTION**

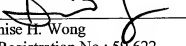
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Dear Madam:

Please note that United States Patent No. 10/567,317 qualifies as a *small entity*. Please immediately update the patent record to reflect *small entity status* for this case.

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